THE HOUSE OF HOPE Presbyterian Church



To become fully human means learning to turn my gratitude for being alive into some concrete common good. It means growing gentler toward human weakness. It means practicing forgiveness of my and everyone else's hourly failures to live up to divine standards. It means receiving the human condition as blessing and not curse, in all its achingly frail and redemptive reality.

- Barbara Brown Taylor, from An Altar in the World

Fifth Sunday of Easter | May 10, 2020 10 a.m.

Welcome

House of Hope welcomes all who are worshipping online.

Our caring and active community welcomes you. We extend the hospitality of Christ to all.

Our Livestreamed Worship will take place at 10 a.m

Live broadcasts and audio versions of worship services are available at **hohchurch.org**. Copies of past sermons are also available online.

The single candle near the pulpit is our Peace Candle, lighted each day as a reminder of the ongoing need for our prayers for peace in the world.

If you would like a pastor to call you, or if you are ill at home, please call the church office at (651) 227-6311, to let us know. If you know someone else in the congregation who could benefit from a call, please contact the church.

House of Hope Parents on Facebook

Join us on Facebook! Send a request to the "House of Hope Parents" Facebook page. This closed group is a great way to receive announcements. As COVID-19 stretches our creative imagination we will develop a stronger presence on Facebook, including story time videos and family resources.

Children & Family Ministry on Zoom

While we cannot be in-person with one another on Sundays, we would love to continue to be in community together. Please join our Children & Family Ministry Worship on Zoom at 11:15 a.m. on Sundays.

Join Kiera and Sofia to share your highs and lows of the week and engage in a brief liturgy. Check the "House of Hope Parents" page or email Kiera Stegall at KieraS@hohchurch.org for more information.

THE APPROACH TO GOD

Prelude

Chorale Prelude on "Lobe Den Herrn" Aaron David Miller, Organ

Welcome and Announcements

Pastor Nominating Committee Announcement

Call to Worship

We come before God not only as individuals; we are here as members of the community of faith. We gather in the name of Christ, the living stone, rejected by the world, but chosen and precious in God's sight. We respond to Christ's call and seek to be built into a spiritual house, a living reminder of God's presence on earth. Let us worship and celebrate, renewing our faith, for God's Spirit upholds us through this time of fear. We have been born anew to a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ. Let us worship God!

Hymn

Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven

Prayer of Confession

Wise and powerful God, in raising Jesus Christ you set loose great energy,

creating a new people who shared common life, witness, prayer, and belongings.

Yet we confess that often we fear risking ourselves and our goods

in creating the beloved community you call us to be.

This is a time of many fears. Forgive us our lack of love and trust, and have mercy upon us.

Wash over us and seep into us to refresh and to cleanse.

Dissolve the prejudices that cling to us, the jealousies that we harbor, and the fears that beset us. When we are rock-rigid in our views and when we are unforgiving as granite, soften our hearts. Let us hear the thunderous sound of Good News as it breaks upon our hardness of heart. Give us new energy to build community, peace, and justice on earth, to your glory.

Julia A. Carlson

Lisa Yost

Lauda anima

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Words of Assurance — I Peter 2:9-10

But you are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, God's own people, in order that you may proclaim the mighty acts of him who called you out of darkness into his marvelous light. Once you were not a people, but now you are God's people. Once you had not received mercy, but now you have received mercy. Friends, believe the good news of the gospel. **People: In Jesus Christ we are forgiven.**

First Lesson

Psalm 31:1-8

Minister: The Word of the Lord. People: Thanks be to God.

Solo

Jesus Christus, Gottes Sohn, from *Christ lag in Todes Banden,* BWV 4 Timothy Bruett, Soloist

Jesus Christus, Gottes Sohn, An unser Statt ist kommen, Und hat die Sünde weggetan, Damit dem Tod genommen All sein Recht und sein Gewalt, Da bleibet nichts denn Tods Gestalt, Den Stach'l hat er verloren. Halleluja! Jesus Christ, God's son, has come in our place, and has done away with sin thereby taking from death all his rights and power, nothing remains but death's form; he has lost his sting. Hallelujah! J. S. Bach

THE WORD OF GOD

Second Lesson

l Peter 2:4-10

Minister:The Word of the Lord.People:Thanks be to God.

Sermon

Living Stones

THE RESPONSE TO GOD

Hymn

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Westminster Abbey

Affirmation of Faith — from A Brief Statement of Faith

Zachary O. Wilson

We trust in Jesus Christ, fully human, fully God. Jesus proclaimed the reign of God: preaching good news to the poor and release to the captives, teaching by word and deed and blessing the children, healing the sick and binding up the brokenhearted, eating with outcasts, forgiving sinners, and calling all to repent and believe the gospel. Unjustly condemned for blasphemy and sedition, Jesus was crucified, suffering the depths of human pain and giving his life for the sins of the world. God raised this Jesus from the dead, vindicating his sinless life, breaking the power of sin and evil, delivering us from death to life eternal.

New Babies and Baptism Recognition

Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name.

Thy kingdom come, thy will be done,

on earth as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread;

and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors;

and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

Offering - Three ways to give:

- Text Giving.

The House of Hope offers text giving. Text HOH to 73256 and click the link to complete your gift.

- Website.

On the homepage, click "Giving at House of Hope" at the top or "Donate" at the bottom, then click the "Donate Now button", and follow the prompts. Members can also sign into MyHOH to give.

- Mail.

Mail a check to 797 Summit Ave. Saint Paul, MN 55105

Offertory Music

Hymn

God of Grace and God of Glory

Benediction

Postlude

Carillon Postlude

David W. Johnson, carillonneur

New Babies and Baptisms:

Hayden Hanson baptized November 17, 2019 (Son of Carol and Tomm Hanson) Isabelle Schultz baptized December 29, 2019 (Daughter of Lauren and Christopher Schultz) Eva Douglass baptized March 15, 2020 (Daughter of Julia and John Douglass) Owen MacKenzie born November 6, 2019 (Son of Kristina & Ben MacKenzie) Elsie Camozzi born April 15, 2020 (Daughter of Liz & Jeff Camozzi) Josie Zwier born April 21, 2020 (Daughter of Sarah & John Zwier)

CWM Rhondda



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 Save us from weak resignation To the evils we deplore; Let the gift of Thy salvation Be our glory evermore. Grant us wisdom, grant us courage, Serving Thee whom we adore, Serving Thee whom we adore.

In Memoriam

Anne Hornickel Yuska joined The House of Hope Presbyterian Church on April 30, 2006. She entered the Church Triumphant on April 30, 2020. A private family memorial took place on May 6.

"If we live, we live to the Lord, and if we die, we die to the Lord; so then, whether we live or whether we die, we are the Lord's." - Romans 14:8

Congregational Meeting Notice

The Session has called a virtual Congregational Meeting on Sunday, May 17, 2020 at 11:15 a.m. for the purpose of calling a Pastor/Head of Staff according to the terms as approved by the Session and the Committee on Ministry. This meeting is considered "irregular" as the congregation is unable to meet in person at this time. Instructions and further information will be sent to you about how to access this meeting. Only HOH members are permitted to vote.

About our Guest Preacher today:

Rev. Dixie Brachlow is retired pastor emerita of the PC(USA) living in St. Paul, Minnesota. She and her husband Stephen grew up in the Twin Cities, but left for forty years as they worked and raised a family in Sioux Falls, South Dakota, and in Richmond, Virginia. They are grandparents to three great kids in the House of Hope family. She is active in the Presbytery's Mission and Witness, co-chairs the Disabilities Concerns Ministry, and helps to lead House of Hope's Stephen Ministry.



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